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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. United States Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0147384 A1, published October 10, 2002, issued to Uchikubo; and
2. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2002-306509, dated October 22, 2002, together with an English-Language Abstract.

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Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited Japanese reference and its English language abstract. U.S. patents are no longer required per the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) in effect as of June 30, 2003. The relevance of reference 2 has been described in the specification.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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